## **HOUSE BILL 2496**

## By Fincher

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 39, Chapter 15, Part 4, relative to the offense of child abuse and child neglect or endangerment and aggravated child abuse and aggravated child neglect or endangerment.

## BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-15-402, is amended by adding the following as a new subsection (d) and by redesignating existing subsection (d):

(d) The provisions of § 39-13-107 shall also apply to the provisions of this section when the victim of an act made criminal by the provisions of this section is a viable fetus of a human being.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2008, the public welfare requiring it.